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SUBJECT: PETROLEUM EXPLORATION IN DISPUTED TERRITORIAL
WATERS

1. MR. SCHWADE OF TEXFEL PETROLEUM, LOS ANGELES, CON-
TACTED DESK TODAY SAYING THAT CHINA PETROLEUM CO. HAS
APPROACHED HIS COMPANY TO DRILL IN ZONE 5. SCHWADE SAID
PROPOSED DRILLING SITE WAS IN EAST CHINA SEA, ABOUT
200 MILES NORTH OF KEELUNG AND IN VICINITY OF AREA IN
DISPUTE BETWEEN ROK AND PRC. SCHWADE PLANS TO VISIT
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TAIPEI FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH CPC SOON AND MAY CONTACT EMB-
ASSY.

2. IN TELCON WITH SCHWADE, LEVIN ADVISED AGAINST OPERATIONS IN ZONE 5 IN STRONGEST TERMS. HE SAID THERE WAS HIGH RISK OF INCIDENT IN THIS PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE AREA AND POSTULATED LIKELIHOOD THAT USG WOULD EXERT STRONGEST INFLUENCE POSSIBLE TO DISSUADE TEXTFEL FROM CARRYING OUT PROJECT. SCHWADE SEEMED HIGHLY RECEPTIVE TO ADVICE.

3. IF SCHWADE CONTACTS EMBASSY, PLEASE FOLLOW ESTABLISHED POLICY GUIDANCE AND REPORT CONTACT TO DEPT. KISSINGER

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